

SHOT DOWN BY MANIAC.

The top picture is Robert Lomas, who was instantly killed. Arthur Shibley, who was mortally wounded, is the lower picture.



BOY VICTIM OF PLOT

Robert Lomas Mistaken for Another.

NEW THEORY OF POLICE

With Bullet Near Heart, Arthur Shibley Runs Home.

NO PROVOCATION WAS GIVEN

Slayer, Who Escapes, Believed Possessed With Frenzy to Shoot and Slay.

NEW YORK, January 13.—A venetian Syrian plot, which partially miscarried, may be the explanation of the act of the seeming madman who late yesterday wantonly shot down two six-year-old boys coasting on Washington Heights, killing one of them and fatally wounding the other.

Such meager clues as the police had were followed up diligently today in an effort to run down the "shaggy dark man" described by the panic-stricken boys among whom the murderous stranger appeared. But while still working on the theory that the man was a homicidal lunatic the police are giving attention to the alternative theory that both Robert Lomas, the dead boy, and Arthur Shibley, who was fatally shot, were the victims of a plot by victims of the Shibley family.

On this theory young Lomas is supposed to have been mistaken for Nassib Shibley, an adopted son of Ameen Shibley, Shibley's father killed himself and his wife in 1906 because of domestic differences. He was an attorney and had persistently fought certain Syrian secret societies.

His brother, Ameen Shibley, adopted his son, who was not in the crowd of boys today. The assassin appeared yesterday in the house in which the Lomas family also lives, and told his mother that he was shot down by the body of his playmate was found.

Despite the fact that a bullet had passed through his abdomen and he was suffering from shock and fright, Arthur Shibley was able to climb the steep embankment and run to his home where he remained in his mother's arms after he had told a portion of his story.

There he remained unconscious until a physician revived him, when he told that his playmate also had been shot. Policeman Piser then hurried to the almost inaccessible spot in Highbridge Park and found the body of little Robert Lomas

stretched out on the snow, his Christmas sled beside him.

Bundled in warm woolen jackets and leggings, and each wearing a stocking cap, the two boys left for their afternoon's play just after 1 o'clock. Each pulled behind him a brightly painted sled, and the mothers, standing in the doorways of their homes, bade the children keep from dangerous places on the hill.

They Play Together.

It is believed they went directly to the spot where they always played together and where the tragedy took place. To reach this knoll, sheltered from the wind, but in which there was snow for their sleds, they crossed a short wooden bridge, climbed a pile of weatherbeaten rocks, and finally reached a thicket of shrubs. There they played together for nearly an hour. Mrs. Shibley meanwhile had turned to her duties in the care of her other children, Edith, five years old; Nestor, an adopted son, four, and a baby girl, two. On her way to do some shopping Mrs. Lomas had stopped at her friend's door and left in the care of Mrs. Shibley her son Kimberley, nine years old.

Just after 2 o'clock one of the children, standing looking out of a window in the front of the apartment facing toward Highbridge Park, called out: "Here comes Arthur!"

Mrs. Shibley rushed to the window just in time to see her son enter the front door of the apartment house. Then she heard a scream from the janitress of the building, Mrs. Mary Koevacas. An instant later the boy ran into her arms, crying again and again:

"Oh, mamma, mamma, a man shot me! A man shot me!"

The Wounded Boy.

The janitress hurried to No. 454 West 164th street and brought back with her Dr. John N. Williams. The latter hastily examined the boy and found he had been shot, the bullet entering his body two inches below his heart.

Dr. Williams sent the janitress to notify the police by telephone, while he restored the boy to consciousness.

The little boy clung to his mother and wept. He repeated that a man had shot him and after several minutes told the physician and Mrs. Shibley that Robert also had been shot.

"He couldn't run away, mamma. Robert was hurt bad," he added.

As the janitress then started for the street door more she met Mrs. Lomas and also Policeman Piser, who was running toward the park. The two women, outdistanced by the policeman, ran to the park entrance at 164th street.

On the knoll Mrs. Lomas and the janitress found the policeman bending over the body of the boy. One of the two fists was clenched the rope of his new sled; in the other was his pocket handkerchief. The cloth of his jacket was burned about a crimson-colored hole.

Dr. A. A. Smeroff, an ambulance surgeon of Washington Heights Hospital, carried the body to Edgecombe avenue and then to the apartment of Mrs. Lomas. She was carried to the apartment of Mrs. P. Maloney, who lives in the same building, with her, and there at late hour last night she was prostrated from grief and shock.

Story of the Murder.

Meanwhile another ambulance had carried Arthur Shibley and his mother to the hospital. Soon after their arrival there Mr. Shibley, who is the proprietor of a pharmacy at No. 28 Rector street, joined his wife.

To detectives Arthur Shibley told as best he could the story of the murder. He said he and Robert had been playing for some time in the knoll, out of the view of anyone, when suddenly a man confronted them. They were frightened with his appearance, but before they had an opportunity to make an outcry, Arthur said, reached for a revolver from his coat pocket and, placing it within a few inches of the boy's heart, he pulled the trigger.

Arthur said that he felt a sharp pain, but immediately he started to run around the clump of shrubs toward the park gate. He had gone only a few feet, he said, when he heard other shots, and, turning a round, he saw his playmate fall to the snow.

After that, he said, he could not see any more. He described the man who shot him as a "peanut" man, which the police interpret to mean that he was either Italian or Greek. The boys said he wore a light-colored overcoat which came to his knees, a slouch hat and that "he had whiskers all over his face." Arthur said he did not see from what direction the man entered the knoll.

Thomas T. Lomas, the father of the murdered boy, reached his home soon after 3 o'clock from a downtown factory, of which he is superintendent. He went to the West 152nd street station, and after formally identifying the body as that of his son he hastened to the side of his wife.

Dr. Clarence Sichel of the Washington Heights Hospital performed the operation on Arthur Shibley. He found that the bullet which had been fired into the boy's body from short range—probably no further than a few inches—had punctured the stomach and intestines and had deflected from the backbone in passing through. The surgeon said that the wound was most serious.

Hangs Himself From a Tree.

WESTMINSTER, Md., January 13.—The body of Charles Gibson, a well known colored man of this city, was found hanging to the limb of a tree. It was rigid and had evidently been hanging for some hours. There is no doubt that it was a case of suicide. Gibson was about sixty years old, industrious and a man of good habits, but at times suffered from mental depression. He was an employee of E. Oliver Grimes, Jr., near whose residence his body was found. He was unmarried and his only known relatives were his brother, Frank Gibson, a painter of this city, and his family.

12½c to 18c
linings, a yard,
7½c

One lot of lining remnants, shadow silks and percalines; colors and some blacks; good lengths, which you will find it economical to buy for relining and other uses.
First Floor—Bargain Tables.

S. KANN'S SONS & CO.
8th ST. & PA. AVE.
"THE BUSY CORNER"

20c BURNT
PEANUT CANDY,
special a pound
Friday,
12c

Candy Dept.—First Floor.

The final in the greatest suit sale we ever held

SUITS FOR WOMEN AND MISSES, \$10

Values up to \$30

The following list is exact at the time of going to press with this announcement:

28 suits, size 14 . \$10
33 suits, size 16 . \$10
49 suits, size 34 . \$10

41 Gray Suits,
89 Fancy Mixtures,
22 Blue Suits,
17 Black Suits,
18 Red Suits,
10 Tan Suits,
9 Brown Suits,
2 Green Suits,
10 Raisin Suits,
3 Amethyst Suits.

84 suits, size 36 . \$10
21 suits, size 38 . \$10
6 suits, size 40 . \$10

49c to 98c home needs two days only, 39c

China...graniteware...glassware...housefurnishings...baskets

The values in this sale for TWO DAYS ONLY have been purposely made bigger and better than in any 39c sale we have ever advertised. FURTHERMORE, we have deemed these offerings so important that we have for the first time arranged a

Window display of these great bargains--All at 39c

So that all might see exactly what is being offered without coming to the department, knowing full well that if there is any article displayed that is wanted the price attraction is sufficient. Just read this list of the things to be had at 39c tomorrow and Saturday.

Granite Iron Dishpans; seamless, riveted handles. No. 17.
Granite Iron Teakettles, with handle and cover; 5-pint.
Granite Iron Seamless Preserving Kettles; bail handle and lip; 10-pint.
Granite Iron Seamless Berlin Kettles; handle and cover; 15-pt.
Granite Iron Seamless Water Pails; riveted handles; 10 and 12 quart.
Granite Iron Rice or Milk Boilers; handle and cover; 3 and 4 pint.
Granite Iron Seamless Berlin Saucepans; handle, cover; 15-pt.
Teakettles; heavily nickel plated; ebonyized trimmings; 5-qt.
Bread Boxes, of heavy white enameled tin; gilt stenciling; good size.

Garbage Cans, of three-coated galvanized iron; riveted handle, cover; 4-gallon.
Washboards; three-coated galvanized iron, riveted handles; 19-inch size.
Clothes Baskets; oval shape, full-grade willow, strong handles; 25-inch.
Waste Paper Baskets; fancy colorings and shapes; good sizes.
Furnace Shovels; best grade steel, hardwood handles; strongly riveted.
Step-ladders; clear selected stock, strongly braced; 4-ft. size.
Skeleton Frame Washstands; heavy galvanized iron; strong and durable.

Wash Bowls and Pitchers; plain white stoneware; good size and shape.
Jardonnieres, in new colorings, highly glazed effects; 10-inch size.
Umbrella Jars; handsome shapes, new designs, highly glazed; 18-inch.
Lipped Bowls; yellow earthenware, good shape and 6-qt. size.
Water Sets; finest colonial glass, water bottle, 6 tumblers, tray.
Water Pitchers; finest crystal glass, cut glass design; ½-gal.
Slop Jars; plain white stoneware; bail handle and cover; nice size.

Very important are these remnant offerings

Clearance sale of
sample picture frames
at 25c
Worth \$1 to \$2.50

Not more than three of any one style. Samples purchased from the maker, who changes his style of moldings each year and lets us have the samples of those he discontinues. These goods are of fine quality, high-grade productions, and all made in standard sizes.
Fourth Floor—Picture Dept.

W. B. CORSETS, 29c
\$1 kinds at . . . 29c
Only 15 of them, so early buying is necessary.
Made low bust and medium hip style.
Good quality of cutout; odd sizes.
Second Floor—Corset Dept.

WAISTS
Odds and ends
Good values in each lot

FLANNELETTE WAISTS, odds and ends, in a variety of colorings, with detachable linen collars; in all sizes. Worth \$1.25. Remnant price . . . 69c
FINE WHITE MADRAS WAISTS, striped, plain and figured effects and plaided and tucked styles; all sizes, but not in all styles. Regular price, \$1.00 and \$1.25. Remnant price, each . . . 69c
TAILOR-MADE WAISTS of linen and cambric; odds and ends; broad plaited and tucked styles; all sizes. Former sale price, \$1.00 each. Tomorrow at . . . 79c
30 PURE LINEN WAISTS; hand-embroidered; slightly soiled; in small sizes only. Worth \$3.00 and \$3.50. Remnant price, each . . . \$1.69
ALL-WOOL NIN'S VEILING WAISTS, in black only, fasten-back style; some tucked and some trimmed with bands of taffeta silk; sizes 34, 36, 38 and 40. Worth \$3.00. For . . . \$1.69
FRENCH FLANNEL WAISTS, tailored styles, in a variety of pretty models; sizes 34, 36, 38 and 40. Regular price, \$3.00. Remnant price . . . \$1.69
Second Floor—Waists.

Women's \$3, \$3.50 & \$4.00
shoes, a pair at \$1.95

Ends of lines and broken sizes.
A few sample pairs left from the big sample sale.
A good assortment of styles, and nearly all sizes in some style or other.
Only \$1.95 a pair tomorrow.—Second Floor—Shoe Department.

Mussed neckwear
and odds and ends

Tomorrow you pay very much less than regular for these lots of Neckwear, and if you have needs of this kind to be supplied you save money in buying tomorrow.
MULTI RUFFLING, white, wood borders of yellow, pink, light blue and red. Worth 25c a yard. Tomorrow . . . 11c
STIFF LINEN COLLARS, different sizes; white and brown and white and oxford color combinations. Worth 12½c each. Choice . . . 2c
COQUE FEATHER BOAS, in light blue, pink and brown. Worth from \$2.50 to \$3.00. For, choice . . . 98c
THREE LACE COATS, slightly soiled from handling—Were . . . \$5.00 \$9.85 \$17.95
Reduced to . . . \$1.50 \$2.19 \$3.50
First Floor—Bargain Tables

"Bates" and "Red Seal" gingham at 9½c yd. 36-inch bleached muslin at 5½c yd.

Then there are five other "star" offerings in the Remnant Section for tomorrow's selling. The Bates and Red Seal Gingham are new mill ends—just from the factory. Many are the new styles never shown here before. Lengths range 2 to 12 yards. The goods are worth 12½c a yard. The BLEACHED MUSLIN is a miscellaneous lot of a number of well known brands, in 2 to 9 yard lengths, worth 8½c to 12½c a yard, and of a quality particularly desirable for making underwear.

Dark dress flannelettes, 7½c yd.	Fancy bed ticking, 18c yd.	Unbleached muslin, 6½c yd.	Sea Island percales, 9½c yd.
36 inches wide. Heavy with good fleecy nap. Patterns suitable for kimono, wrappers, comfort coverings, etc. Regular 12½c quality.	32 inches wide. Very best grade and all guaranteed absolutely featherproof. Lengths are suitable for making pillows, bolster cases, or full size bed ticks. Regularly 25c a yard quality.	Full 36 inches wide. A very fine, closely woven muslin, in 2 to 12 yard lengths. All the round thread weave. A regular 30c a yard quality.	36 inches wide. Light and dark grounds. All guaranteed fast colors. Lengths are desirable. This is a regular 12½c material, and hard to get under the usual price, even in remnant lengths.

SILK REMNANTS
Worth up to \$1.00 a yard

Pongees, China Silks, Moire Silks, Fancy Silks, and some Cotton-back Satins. A yard . . .	19c
Black and White China Silks, Black Foulards, Bengaines, Liberty Satins, Fancy Silks and Satin Messalines. A yard . . .	25c
Soft Silks and Messalines; mostly evening shades. Waist lengths principally. The kinds of silks you want right now. A yard . . .	39c

First Floor.

Children's wearables
CHILDREN'S SAILOR SUITS, in navy blue, made of chevrot; some have collars trimmed with black braid, others trimmed with red and white braid; finished with a sailor tie; sizes 6 to 10 years. Worth \$4.00. For . . . \$2.95
FIVE CHILDREN'S COATS, moire velvet, in green and old rose; made with lay-down collar and turn-back cuffs; trimmed with fancy buttons; sizes 2 and 3 years. Worth \$5.00 and \$5.50. Choice . . . \$3.59
THREE BLACK VELVET COATS; turn-back cuffs and collar; braid trimmed on cuffs, collar and buttons; also three Black Caracul Cloth Coats, finished on sleeves and front with brass buttons; sizes 2 to 4 years. Worth \$10 and \$10.50. Choice . . . \$7.75
3 BEAVER HATS, ribbon trimmed. Worth \$5.50 and \$6.00. Choice . . . \$2.95
6 FELT HATS, trimmed with silk scarfs. Worth \$2.00. Choice . . . \$1.00
Second Floor.

MANUFACTURER'S SAMPLES TRIMMING BANDINGS,
Worth up to \$8.50 a yd. A remnant . . . 31c

"GLE" BANDINGS, EMBROIDERED BANDINGS, GOLD AND SILVER EFFECTS, ORIENTAL DESIGNS, BEAD, PEARL AND LARGE CAROCHON BANDINGS, IRIDESCENT JEWEL EFFECTS AND JET BANDINGS. These are suitable for trimming the front of the bodice, for hat trimmings, for little inserted vest effects, for collars and many other trimming uses.

\$1.00 and \$1.50 UMBRELLAS AT . . . 69c
A portion of the big purchase from Folmer, Clock & Co.
The lot is decidedly limited. Includes sizes for men and women both.
Covers are of American taffeta and mercerized English gloria, with cases to match, steel rods and paragon frames. Handles are fancy dresden, gun metal and German silver trimmed. The Men's Umbrellas have handles of boxwood or horn.

Short lengths of ribbons
Bows tied free from any of these ribbons.
½ to 5 inch Ribbons, in a good line of shades. Worth 3c to 8c a yard. At a yard, sufficient for trimming the front of the bodice, for hat trimmings, for little inserted vest effects, for collars and many other trimming uses.
1 to 2 inch Ribbons, in all good colors and black and white. Regularly 7c to 12c a yard. At . . . 4c
2 to 3 inch Taffeta Ribbons, plain satin and fancy ribbons both. Worth up to 25c a yard. For . . . 10c
4 to 6 inch Ribbons, dresden, plain and satin taffeta and moire ribbons. Worth up to 50c a yard. For, yard . . . 15c

50c, 75c and \$1.00 LINOLEUMS, A SQ YD. . . 29c
Extra Heavy, Cork-filled Linoleums, in lengths 1 to 5 square yards. Assortment of designs.
MATTINGS—All our short lengths of Mattings, including the Finest Japanese and Best Chinese Mattings, lengths from 5 to 20 yards, a yard . . . 12½c
\$1.25 THREE-FOLD SCREENS, 5 feet high; good oak frame, filled with silkoline. Remnant price . . . 75c
JAPANESE MATTING RUGS, stenciled in large floral designs; size 6½ inches. Regularly \$2.50. Remnant price . . . \$1.00
\$1.50 JAPANESE RUGS, wool fiber; size 20x30 inches; only about 50 in the lot. Remnant price . . . 69c
SILK TAPESTRY FRINGES, all our short pieces, this range in price from 10c to 30c a yard; lengths from 1 to 5 yards. A yard . . . 5c
CRETONNE REMNANTS, silkoline, denim, velours and white draperies; lengths up to 4 yards. A yard . . . 9c

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WOOLS, all a little faded through being on display in the cases and windows. Included are:
Shetland Floss, Saxony, 4 and 5 Fold German-town, in the following colors: Old rose, heliotrope, lilac, scarlet, yellow, light and dark blue. Special, a hank . . . 6½c
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DUCHESS LACE BRAIDS, 12 yards in a piece; different widths and different styles. Worth 50c a bunch. For . . . 12c
Third Floor—Art Dept.
ROUND CENTERPIECES, 18 inches diameter, with scalloped edge from 10c to 30c a yard. Special. Were 20c each. For . . . 9½c